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SUBJECT: CAPE VERDE REQUEST FOR MORE US CORN

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FORMAL CAPE VERDEAN REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
15,000 TONS OF CORN FOR CY1978 UNDER SAME TERMS AS PREVIOUS
PL-480 TITLE II ASSISTANCE TO CAPE VERDE. GOCV CALCULATIONS
FOR FOOD NEEDS FOR CY78 ARE AS FOLLOWS: (FIGURE IN THOUSANDS
OF TONS)

ITEM	NEED	STOCKS	ESTIMATED	AID	DEFICIT
		STOCKS			

CORN	48.0	8.0	10.0	24.3	25.7
BEANS	8.0	.4	3.0	-	10.6
RICE	6.0	3.0	1.0	-	4.0
SUGAR	6.5	2.0	1.0	.01	3.49

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OIL	2.0	1.15	.3	.08	1.77
POWDERED MILK	3.5	1.4	.5	.9	1.7
BUTTER OIL	.5	.02	.08	.25	.31

2. NEEDS ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH BALCULATIONS MADE BY MULTI-
DONOR MISSION WHICH VISITED CAPE VERDE IN NOVEMBER 1977.
1977 AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION IS REPORTED AS QUOTE "ALMOST

NIA" UNQUOTE. GOCV POINTS OUT THAT COMMERCIAL PURCHASES WILL BE MADE TO COVER ANY DEFICITS NOT COVERED BY AID BUT THAT IN VIEW OF SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH THEIR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS THEY WOULD LIKE TO MINIMIZE SUCH PROCEDURES. A COMMERCIAL PURCHASE OF 2,000 METRIC TONS OF SUGAR IS ALREADY PLANNED. WHEAT NEEDS FOR 1978 ARE COVERED BY CURRENT STOCKS AND EXPECTED AID.

3. CORN AID ALREADY COMMITTED TO CAPE VERDE FOR 1978 INCLUDES US 15,000 MTS, NETHERLANDS, 4,500 MTS, FRANCE 4,000 MTS, AND WFP 800 MTS. A 5,000 TON CORN DONATION BY CANADA IS NOT YET CONFIRMED. WHEAT DONATIONS EXPECTED ARE 3,700 MTS FOR FRG AND 2,000 FROM CEE WITH ONOTHER 2,000 AS YET UNCONFIRMED FROM AUSTRALIA. NO RICE COMMITMENTS ARE AS YET FIRM BUT CEE IS EXPECTED TO COME THROUGHT WITH 3,315 MTS OF WHEAT. POWDERED MILK COMMITMENT OF 650 MTS FROM CEE AND 237 MTS FROM WFP HAVE BEEN MADE AND ANOTHER 800 MTS IS EXPECTED FROM CEE.

4. WE WILL ATTEMPT DETERMINE IF OTHER GOVERNMENTS ARE BEING ASKED TO INCREASE THEIR FOOD ASSISTANCE TO CAPE VERDE. EMBASSIES BISSAU AND DAKAR MAY WISH APPROACH MISSIONS NOT REPT NOT REPRESENTED IN PRAIA WITH THIS QUESTION.

5. COPIES OF REQUEST BEING POUCHED ALL ADDRESSE.
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